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In pondering Questar's cavalier attitude to its billing errors due to failing to properly assess and test their equipment, the Public Service Commission should remember that because Questar has been granted a virtual monopoly, it should be held to an extremely high standard of quality control ("Customers told to pay after hi-tech Questar meters mess up," Tribune, March 27).

As a service provider in its privileged position, Questar should consider the hardships this bill places on some customers and show grace and consideration for the difficulties its own internal-quality issues have caused.

A more reasonable and conciliatory stance, even forgiving some of the money owed to it, would be money better spent than thousands of dollars in advertising or public service efforts.

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